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## SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants' undersigned attorney has received a French Search Report concerning a French Patent Application corresponding to the above-identified application. A copy of the report and copies of some of the references cited are attached hereto.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1) it is hereby certified that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Should there be any questions regarding this matter, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's undersigned attorney at telephone number 770-798-2656.

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